

Information for Release		5/3/2011
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Date of the notification to CPS: 4/19/2011

Near Fatality

The date the child suffered the near fatality: 4/19/2011

Child's name: Roman

Age at time of incident: 3 Years

Perpetrator(s): Osanna Bravo,29; and Angel Bravo, 37.

Age: See above

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): At the time of the incident, the child and perpetrators were living in Scottsdale.

A. Circumstances of the fatality or near fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:

On April 19, 2011, Roman was found unresponsive on the floor. 9-1-1 was contacted and Roman was taken to the hospital. At the hospital, Roman was found to have a severe head injury and other injuries which were determined by physicians to result from non-accidental trauma.

B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian* :

CPS received two prior reports alleging abuse of Roman while in the care of Osanna and Angel Bravo. The first report was on July 29, 2009, when Roman was taken to the hospital with a fractured arm. CPS and law enforcement investigated the incident and allegations of abuse were unsubstantiated. The second was received on April 7, 2011, when it was alleged that Roman had "scratches and bruises all over him" that resulted from the mother hitting him. CPS interviewed the children and caregivers. Services were offered and the family agreed to participate in counseling and parenting services. The referral for services had been submitted when the current report was received.

1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:

CPS jointly investigated the allegations with the Phoenix Police Department.

2. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

A sibling was taken into CPS custody; Roman will also be taken into custody when he is discharged from the hospital.

3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

Services for the children and family will be determined once the investigation is completed.

*Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

Information, if any, regarding other family or household members and the child or the alleged perpetrator is not posted on the Web site. Calls to the Child Abuse Hotline that do not meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.